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Letter, Department of Commerce (OIT) to HICOG, Berlin, File IT-1205, 2-74;23-181, April 15, 1953

OIT Request for Documents Relating to Unauthorized Exports of Acetone by Leviant and Co., New York, and for Similar Material

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The latter under reference requests comments on an unauthorized acetone expert which has come to OIT's attention. Apparently only the Embassy at Vienna and the Consulate in Hamburg are involved in this part of the request.

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OIT also asks that HICOG furnish [redacted] which is believed to be on file in Berlin. However, the serial number given [redacted] does not indicate a Berlin origin.¹ We understand that the designation "S/P" is used in Vienna and we assume that that office will furnish copies [redacted] if possible. In any case, [redacted] are filed with the local collecting agency's headquarters in Stuttgart, although copies may be requested by number through HICOG Bonn or, in some cases, through HICOG Berlin.

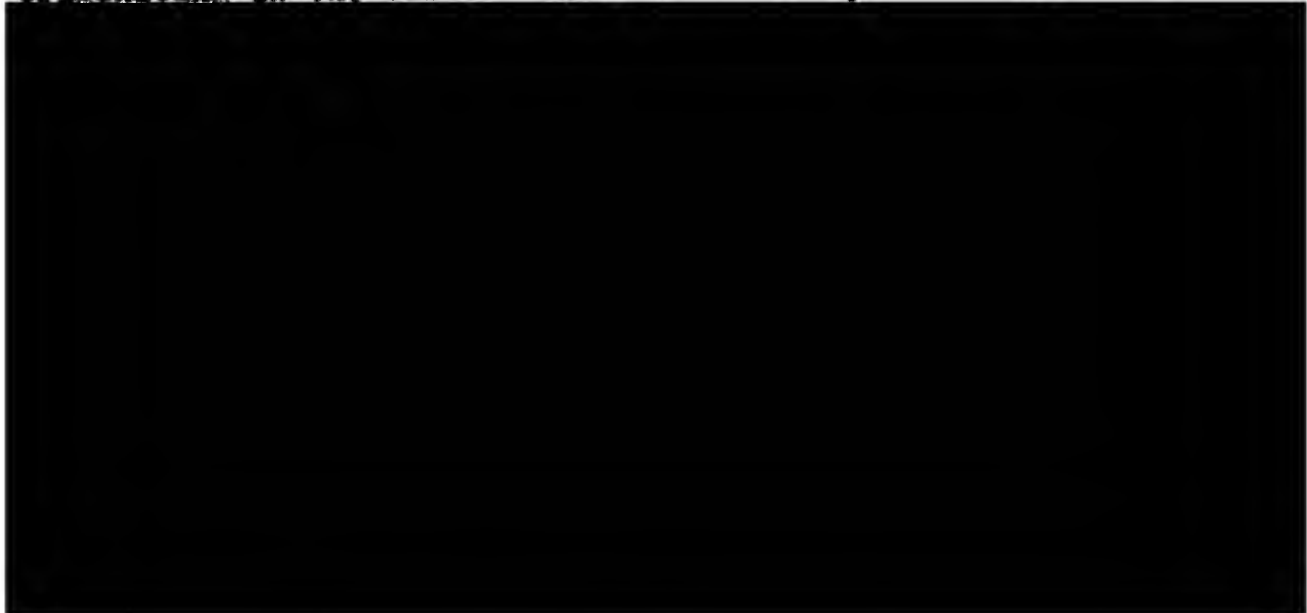
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OIT also requests that it be sent copies [redacted] which deals with East-West trade, especially documentary material relating to the diversion of commodities originating in the United States or friendly countries. The



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